



Reference No. 6.39

## MULTIPLE JOBHOLDING, AUGUST 1973 (PRELIMINARY STATEMENT)

In August 1973 a survey, based on the quarterly population survey, was conducted throughout Australia in order to obtain information about the nature and extent of multiple job holding. The results of a previous survey were published in *Multiple Jobholding*, May 1971 (Reference No. 6.10). Similar surveys were conducted in November 1965, August 1966 and August 1967.

### SUMMARY OF RESULTS

An estimated 190,600 persons, or 3.3 per cent of the total labour force, stated that they held more than one job in August 1973. More than 25 per cent (48,300) had as their second jobs service, sport or recreation group occupations and almost 19 per cent (35,600) were farmers, fishermen, timber-getters, etc., in their second jobs. In May 1971, the corresponding total figures were 199,300 persons and 3.6 per cent of the total labour force.

### EXPLANATORY NOTES

2. The sample used in the survey covered the whole of Australia. About 27,000 private dwellings as well as a sample of other dwellings were enumerated, the information being obtained by personal interviews during a four-week period.
3. The estimates relate to all persons aged 15 years and over, except members of the permanent armed forces, national servicemen enlisted in the Regular Army Supplement and certain diplomatic personnel customarily excluded from census and estimated populations. Persons who were patients in hospitals and sanatoria, or inmates of gaols, reformatories, etc., and for whom, for the purpose of the survey, the institution was regarded as their dwelling, were excluded from the survey (i.e. questions were asked only in respect of the non-institutional population).
4. Since the estimates in this statement are based on a sample, they may differ from the figures that would have been obtained from a complete census using the same questionnaires and procedures. One measure of the likely difference is given by the standard error, which indicates the extent to which an estimate might have varied by chance because only a sample, and not the whole population, was enumerated. Estimates less than 4,000 have not been shown as they would be subject to such high standard errors (relative to the size of the estimate) as to detract seriously from their value for most reasonable uses. Although in some cases figures for these small components can be derived by subtraction, they should not be regarded as reliable. More information on this topic, together with a table of standard errors, is given in the November 1973 issue of *The Labour Force* (Reference No. 6.20).
5. This statement contains only a summary of the more important results of the survey. More detailed estimates, which will be published in a bulletin to be issued as soon as possible, are available on request. The estimates shown are preliminary and are subject to revision.

### DEFINITIONS

6. Persons were classified as *multiple jobholders* if, during the survey week, they
  - (a) worked in a second job or held a second job from which they were temporarily absent, and
  - (b) were employed in at least one of their jobs as a wage or salary earner, provided they were not employed as an unpaid family helper in their second job. Persons who by the nature of their employment worked for more than one employer, e.g. domestics, odd-job men, baby-sitters, etc., were not counted as multiple jobholders unless they also held another job of a different kind; nor were those who worked for more than one employer solely by reason of changing jobs during the survey week.
7. The *labour force* comprises all persons who, during the survey week, were employed or unemployed, according to the definitions customarily used in the population survey. For detailed definitions see *The Labour Force* (Reference No. 6.20).

NOTE. Any discrepancies between totals and sums of components in tables are due to rounding.



## MULTIPLE JOBHOLDERS, AUGUST 1973 (a)

	Number ('000)			Per cent of labour force		
	Males	Females	Persons	Males	Females	Persons
Total	150.1	40.5	190.6	3.9	2.1	3.3
New South Wales	50.4	15.4	65.7	3.6	2.2	3.2
Victoria	37.9	9.5	47.3	3.6	1.8	3.0
Queensland	19.4	6.4	25.8	3.6	2.6	3.3
South Australia	19.8	4.3	24.1	5.6	2.3	4.5
Western Australia	13.5	*	16.6	4.4	*	3.6
Tasmania	5.7	*	6.7	5.0	*	4.0
Capital cities (b)	77.8	27.6	105.4	3.3	2.1	2.9
Other areas	72.3	12.9	85.1	4.9	2.1	4.1
Married	123.5	25.7	149.2	4.5	2.2	3.8
Not married (c)	26.6	14.8	41.4	2.5	2.1	2.3
Age (years) -						
15-19	5.8	5.2	11.1	1.7	1.7	1.7
20-24	21.7	7.1	28.8	4.3	2.1	3.4
25-34	50.6	11.8	62.5	5.4	2.9	4.6
35-44	36.7	8.5	45.2	4.9	2.3	4.0
45-54	24.1	5.2	29.3	3.4	1.6	2.8
55 and over	11.1	*	13.7	1.9	*	1.9
Born in Australia	119.1	31.5	150.6	4.3	2.2	3.6
Born outside Australia	31.0	9.0	40.0	2.9	1.8	2.6
United Kingdom and Ireland	11.7	4.4	16.0	3.0	2.3	2.8
Other countries	19.3	4.6	23.9	2.9	1.5	2.4
Arrived in Australia						
Before 1955	11.6	*	14.5	3.2	*	2.9
1955-1961	7.9	*	9.6	3.4	*	2.7
1962-1966	4.8	*	7.4	2.9	*	2.9
After 1966	6.7	*	8.5	2.2	*	1.8
Occupation of main job -						
Professional and technical	23.1	7.6	30.7	6.1	2.8	4.7
Administrative, executive and managerial	10.3	*	11.1	3.3	*	3.2
Clerical	14.5	14.0	28.4	4.8	2.2	3.1
Sales	12.8	4.7	17.5	5.1	1.9	3.5
Farmers, fishermen, timber-getters, etc.	19.7	*	20.8	5.2	*	4.7
Transport and communication	11.5	*	12.6	3.8	*	3.5
Tradesmen, production-process workers, etc. (d)	51.1	*	53.5	3.0	*	2.7
Service, sport and recreation	7.1	8.9	16.0	3.8	2.7	3.1
Occupation of second job -						
Professional and technical	22.7	7.5	30.2	..	..	..
Administrative, executive and managerial	6.7	*	7.5	..	..	..
Clerical	7.5	7.7	15.2	..	..	..
Sales	13.1	5.2	18.3	..	..	..
Farmers, fishermen, timber-getters, etc.	33.5	*	35.6	..	..	..
Transport and communication	10.9	*	12.1	..	..	..
Tradesmen, production-process workers, etc. (d)	22.1	*	23.4	..	..	..
Service, sport and recreation	33.5	14.8	48.3	..	..	..

(a) Non-institutional civilians aged 15 years and over. For definitions see page 1, paragraphs 6 and 7. (b) Statistical Divisions of the six State capital cities as defined in *Census of Population and Housing, 30 June 1971 - Field Count Statement Nos. 3 to 8*. (c) Never married, widowed and divorced. (d) Includes miners, quarrymen and related workers.

\* Less than or based on a figure less than 4,000. See page 1, paragraph 4.

NOTE. State figures do not include the Northern Territory or the Australian Capital Territory. However, the Territories' figures are included in all other dissections.

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